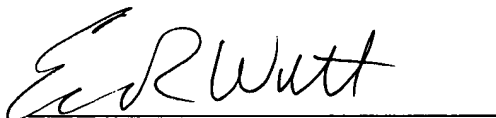


**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

The specification and claims 6-10, 14-16, 37-44, 53-58, 80-86, and 89-101 were amended to change "active carbon" and "activated carbon" to --activated carbon char--. These amendments are made to use consistent terminology in the specification and claims. The specification discloses "activated carbon char" at numerous locations, including but not limited to, page 1, line 12; page 4, lines 17-18 and 22; page 5, line 9; page 6, lines 9, 13, and 26; page 7, line 13; page 9, lines 3-4; page 13, lines 17 and 16-28; page 14, lines 9, 21, 22, and 24; and page 15, line 7. Applicant submits that the foregoing amendments are clerical in nature and do not raise new issues. Entry and favorable consideration of the amendments are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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